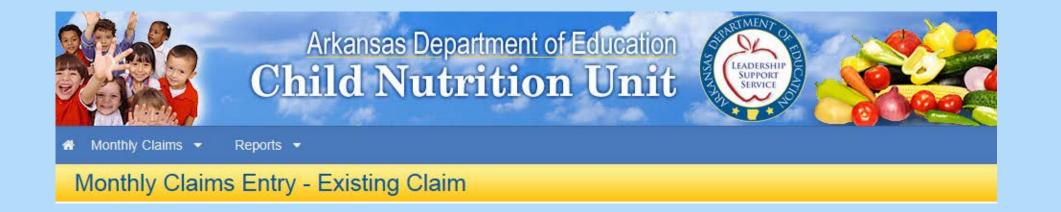
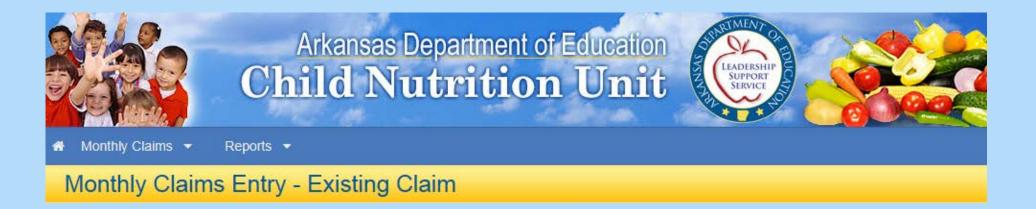
# How to Complete a Claim for Reimbursement

CHILD NUTRITION UNIT, ADE (501) 324-9502





This information is geared towards those who create and input information into the On-line claim form, in order to receive reimbursements from the USDA and the Child Nutrition Unit of the Arkansas Department of Education. This will walk you through, step-by-step, each area of the On-line claim form. It also shows those who approve the form, items to look for that may be incorrect.



- This program works best if <u>NO OTHER PROGRAMS OR BROWSER WINDOWS</u> are open!
- Due to the memory capacity of this program, <u>SAVE</u> often. At the very least, save after inputting information in each tab.
- This program has a short "timeout". It will be helpful if a paper copy is completed, prior to inputting data.
- During the summer months, one claim type must be submitted (regular, summer, seamless summer), before entering another claim type. You only have to enter one type of claim for the Financial Information to carry over to the next month.
- The prior month claim must be paid (999 status) before entering the next claim.

# Question 1

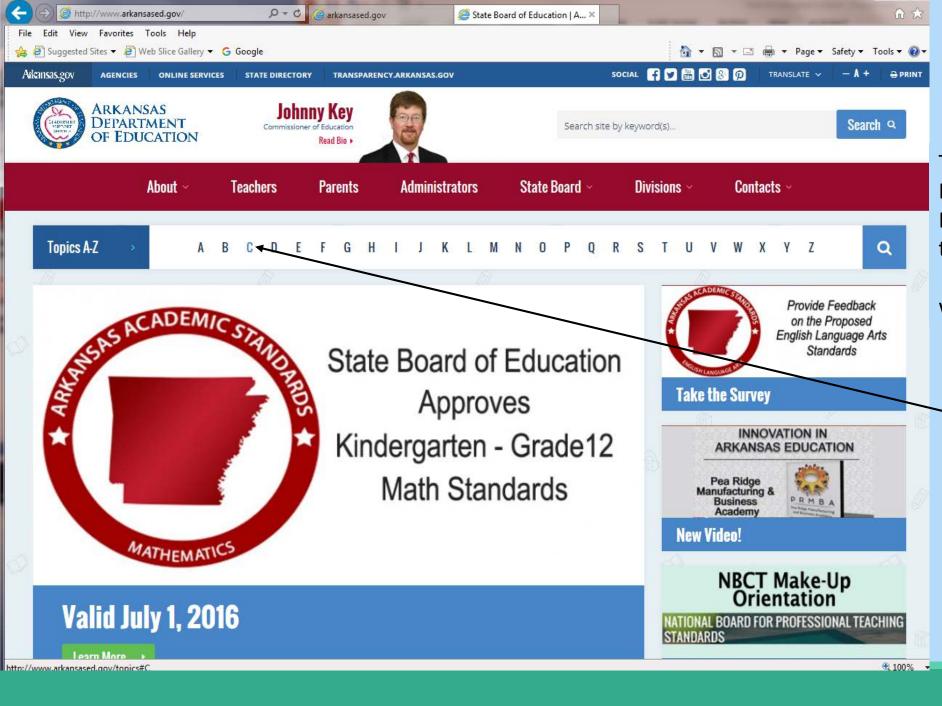
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  - a. At the end of completing the claim
  - b. After you enter data under each tab
  - c. As often as possible
  - d.B and C

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The answer is After you enter data under each tab AND as often as possible.

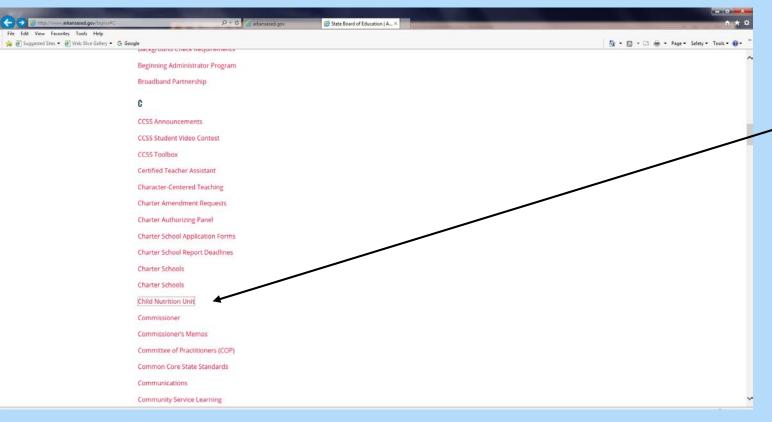
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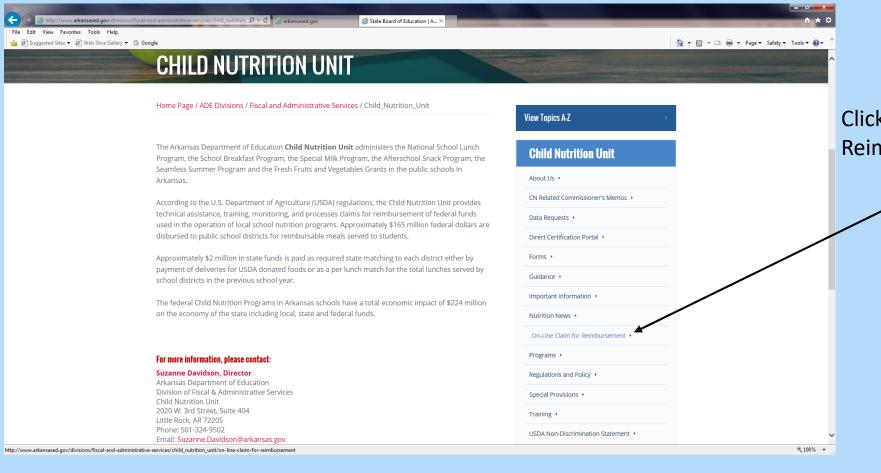
To get to the Arkansas Department of Education Website, type in:

www.arkansased.gov

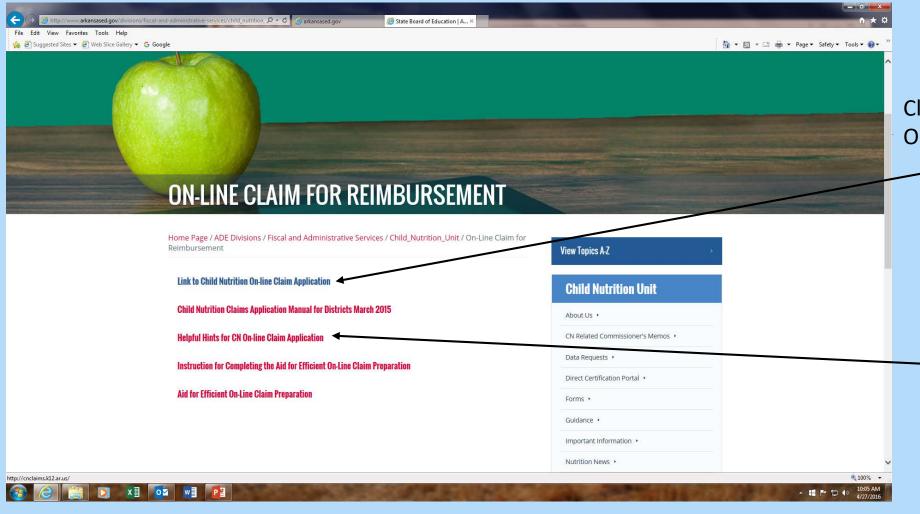
Click the letter "C"



Click on "Child Nutrition Unit"



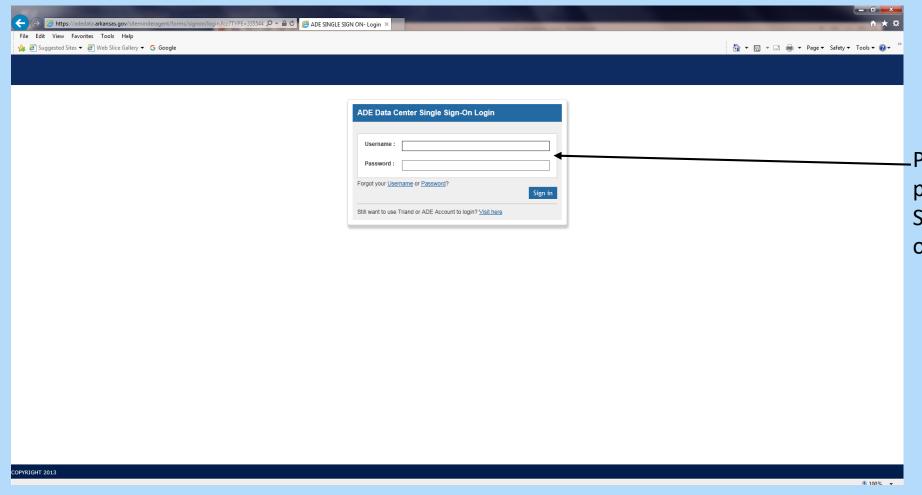
Click on "On-Line Claim for Reimbursement"



Click on "Link to Child Nutrition On-Line Claim Application"

There are hints available at the:

- "Helpful Hints for CN On-Line Claim Application"
- "Instruction for Completing the Aid for Efficient On-Line Properties"
- "Aid for Efficient On-Line Claim Preparation."



Put in the username and password assigned by the School District's Group Manager or ADE Security.

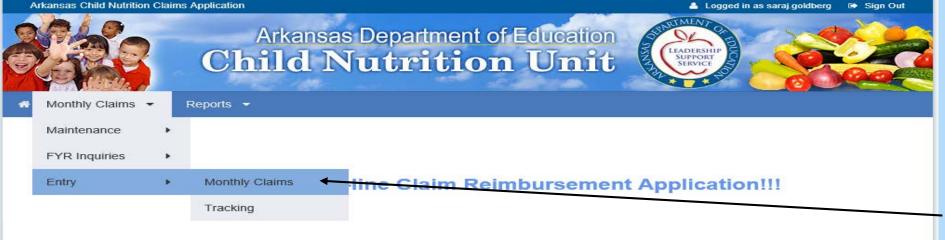
Be sure to bookmark this page so it is easier to find next time. The following information shows instructions in the green area at the bottom of each page.



Welcome to the On-line Claim Reimbursement Application!!!

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It will show the welcome to the page.

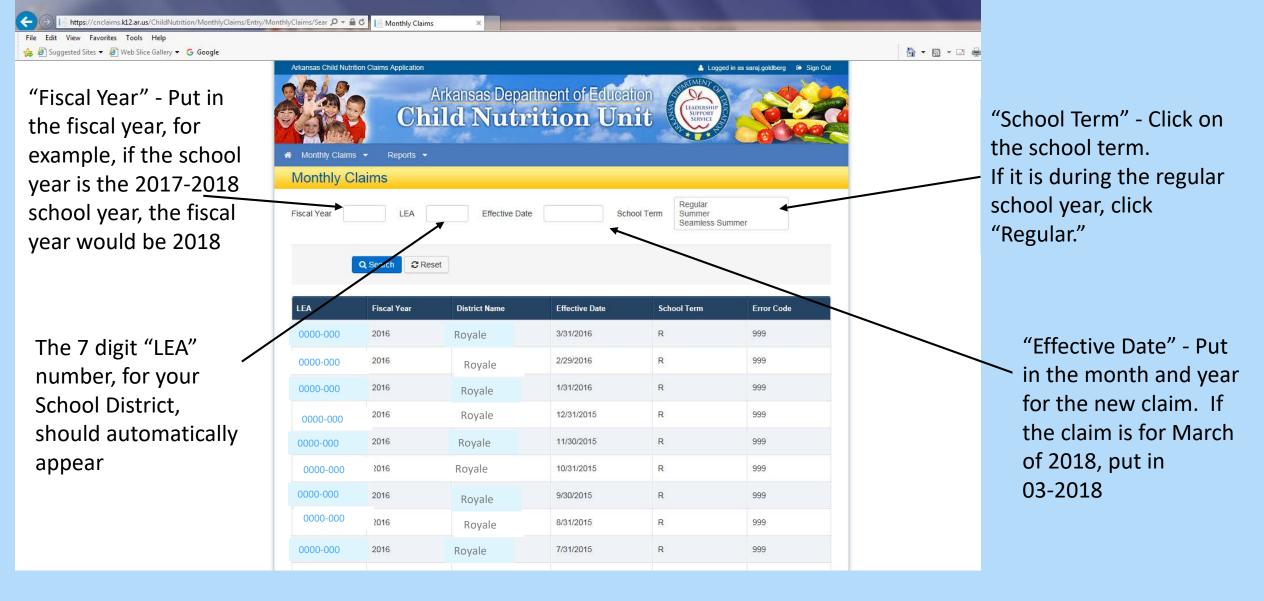


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Hover over the words

- 1. "Monthly Claims",
- 2. "Entry"
  Then click on the 2<sup>nd</sup>
  words "Monthly
  Claims"

This will open the page to begin a new claim.



To go back to a claim, enter the Effective Date of that claim.

This will bring up the "ADD" button.

(ONLY IF THIS MONTH AND YEAR'S CLAIM HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY ENTERED.)

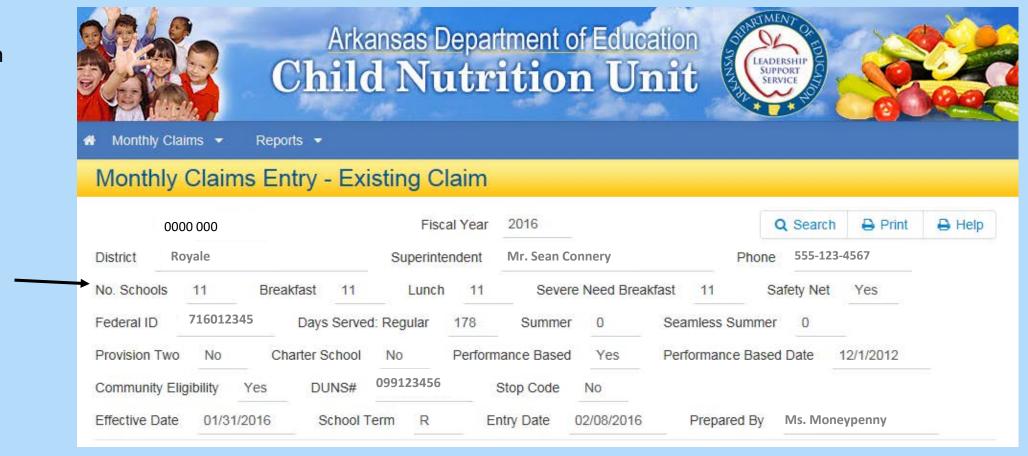
Click on the "ADD" button and start your claim.





This is information that is gathered from the completed yearly agreement or the agreement renewal.

If information has changed, please mail/fax a letter on School District letterhead, signed by the superintendent, stating the change, and we will update it in the system.



1. A. Number of schools in district Number of schools reported to Arkansas Department of Education on Program Schedule A



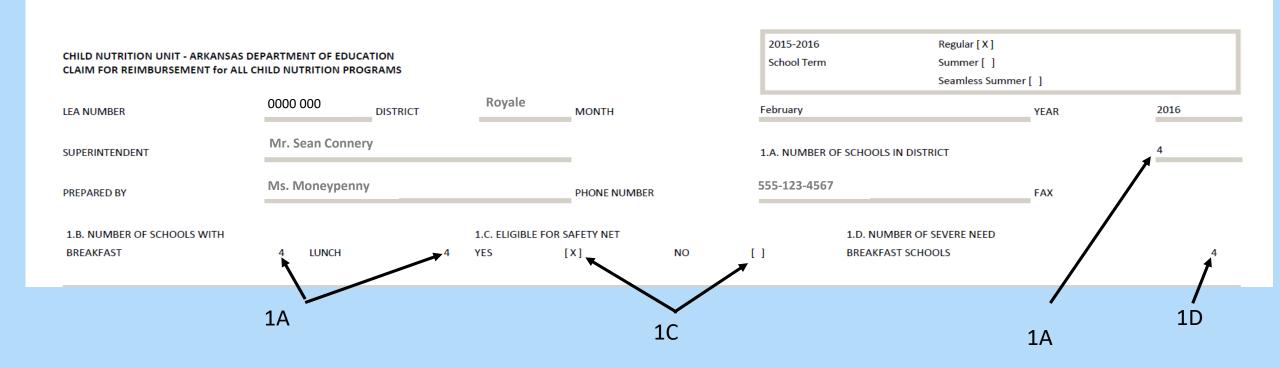
**B. Number of schools with Breakfast** Number of schools with Breakfast Program and Number of schools with Lunch Program **And Lunch** as reported to Arkansas Department of Education.



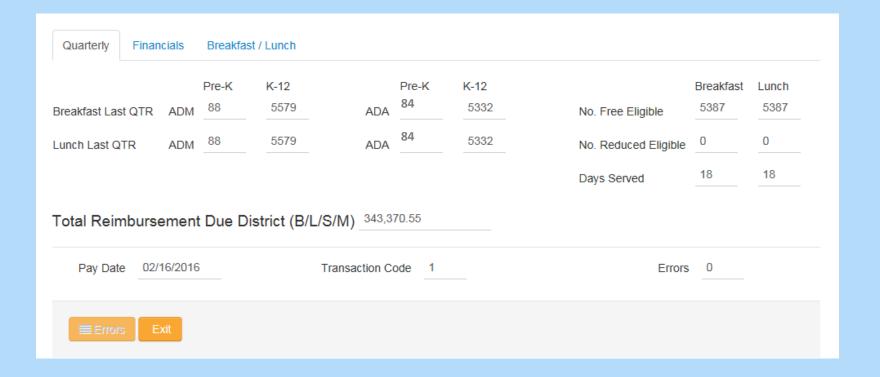
**C.** Schools Eligible for *Safety Net* as identified by Safety Net list on Forms page of Child Nutrition website.



**D.** Number of *Severe Need Schools* As approved on 2017-18 Severe Need Documentation of Eligibility for each school district

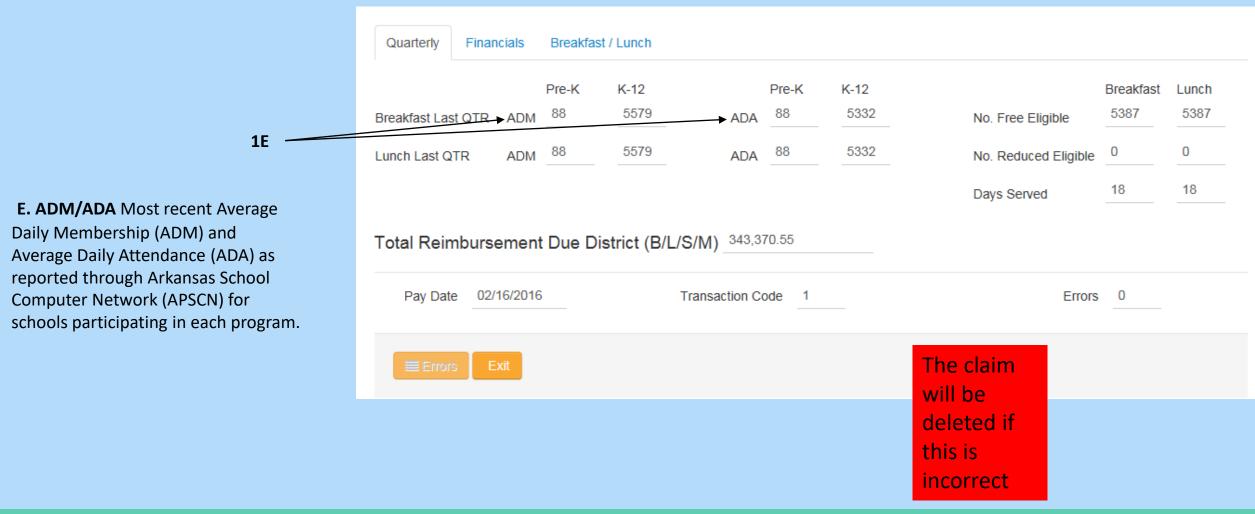


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First the "Quarterly" tab. Remember whole numbers ONLY, it is not possible to have a partial student (Always Round UP)



### **1E**

- ADM (Average Daily Membership) How many Pre-K / K-12 students are enrolled at the schools?
- ADA (Average Daily Attendance) What is the average number of Pre-K K-12 students who actually attended school?
   (This can be found on your Cycle reports, the numbers may be the same for 1 Quarter, or 3 weeks)

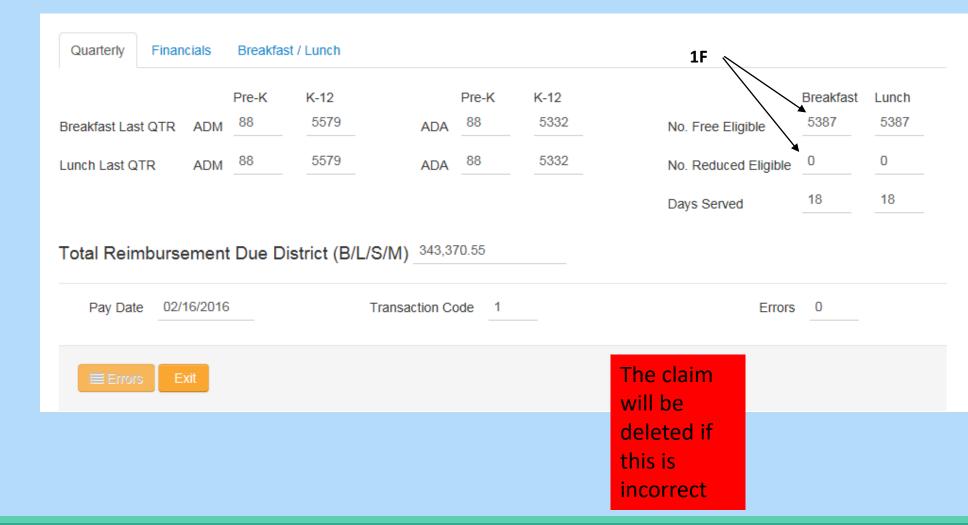
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**F. Eligibles** Highest number eligibles, by count of source documents (i.e.: applications and lists) on any day during the month.

### **1F**

- No. Free Eligible This is the number of **enrolled** students who are **eligible** to receive a free lunch.
- No. Reduced Eligible This is the number of <u>enrolled</u> students who are <u>eligible</u> to receive a reduced price lunch.

The numbers for Breakfast and Lunch should be the same.

CEP schools should have zeros under the Reduced Eligible.

F. These numbers are rarely if ever different.

If a student qualifies for Free Lunch, he/she qualifies for Free Breakfast



### **1F**

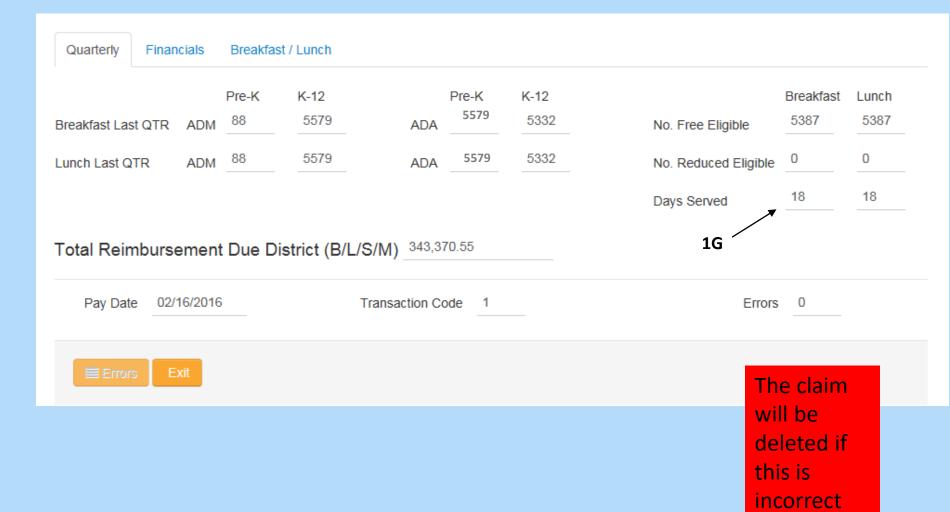
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Has this been saved yet?

**G. Days served** Number of days meals are served during the month.

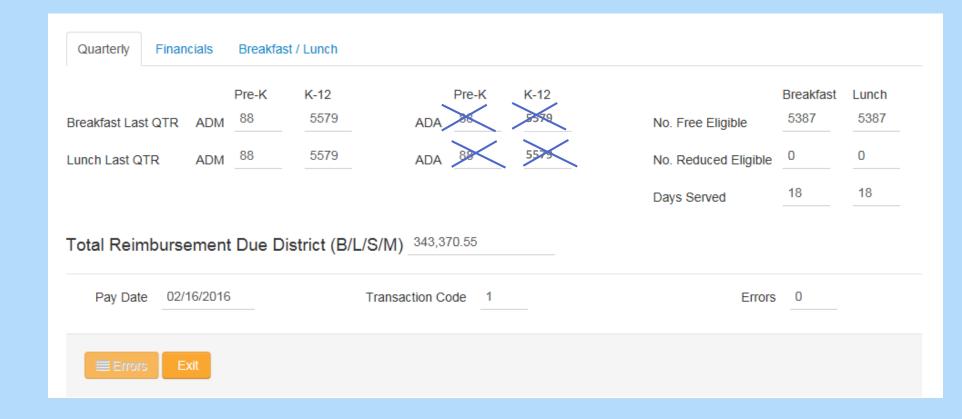


# **1G**

- How many days was Breakfast served?
- How many days was Lunch served?

16	_											
1.E.	Breakfast	ADM Last Quarter	Pre-K	40	K-12	1253	ADA Last Quarter		Pre-K	36	K-12	1195
	Lunch	ADM Last Quarter	Pre-K	40	K-12	1253	ADA Last Quarter		Pre-K	36	K-12	1195
1.F.	1.F. 1F  FREE ELIGIBLES  REDUCED ELIGIBLES  1.G. 1G  DAYS SERVED			BREAKFAST BREAKFAST BREAKFAST				771 110 20	LUNCH LUNCH LUNCH	771 110 20		
2. ACTUA	2. ACTUAL FUNDS AVAILABLE DURING MONTH					5	B. ACTUAL CASH EXPENDITUR	MONTH				
A. Openir	A. Opening Cash Balance			0.0	00	J	A. Food					30,811.16

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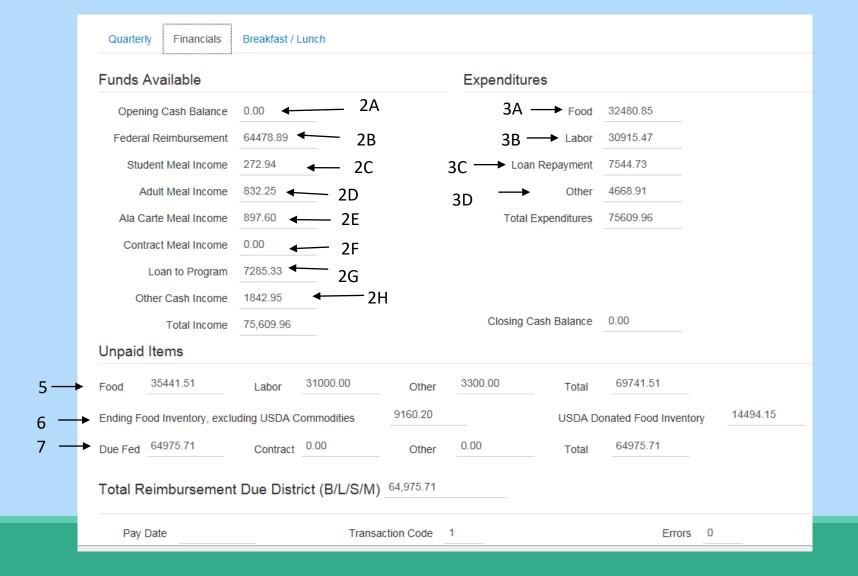


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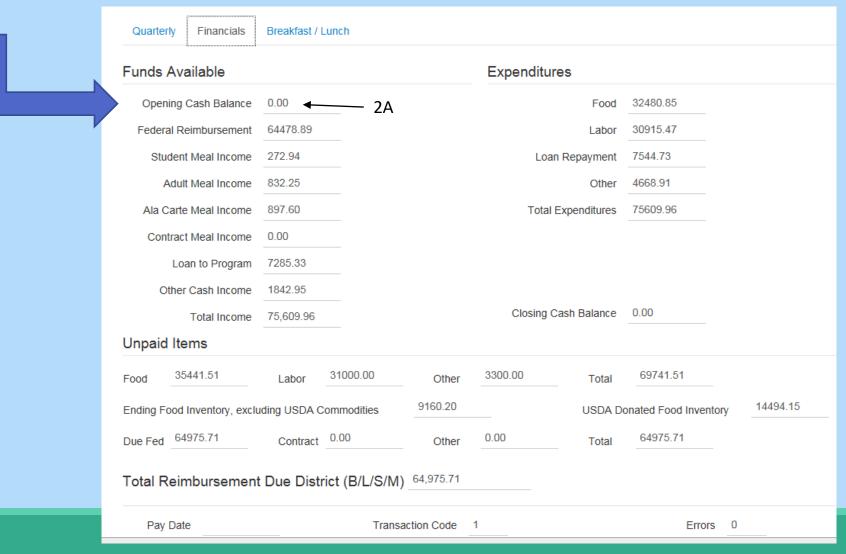
The ADM and ADA are VERY rarely the same.

If the ADA is the same number as the ADM, what is being said is **every** student attended school **every** day.

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Now the "Financials" tab.

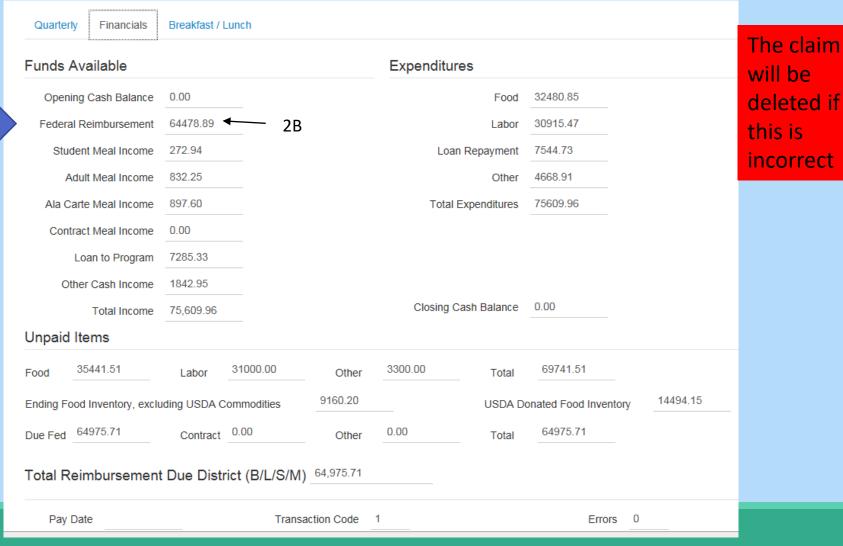


2A. Opening cash balance - Same as closing cash balance on the prior month's claim.

This number is automatically put in from the previous month, it cannot be changed.

How much was actually received from ADE/CNU during the CLAIM month?

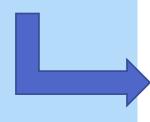
For example, in February, was December AND January received or was just January received?



2B. Federal Reimbursement - All federal reimbursement received during the month from ADE CNU.

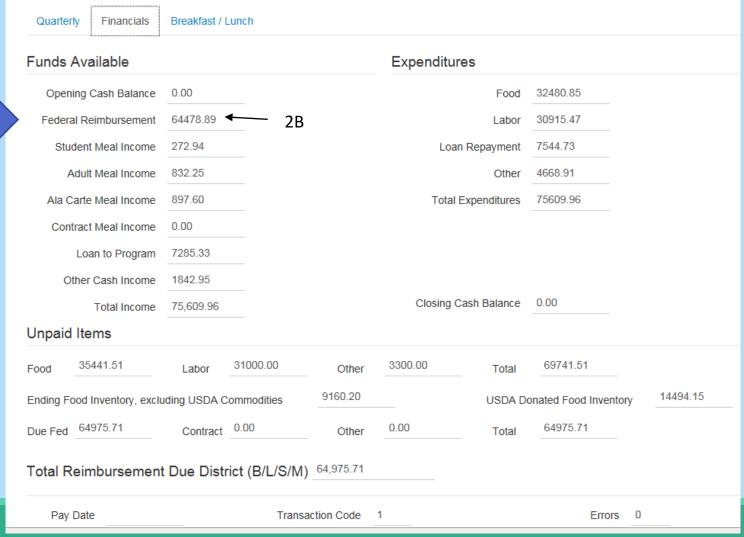
All monies received within the month of this claim.

State Matching, Equipment Grants, FFVP, DHS payments etc., DO NOT GO IN HERE.



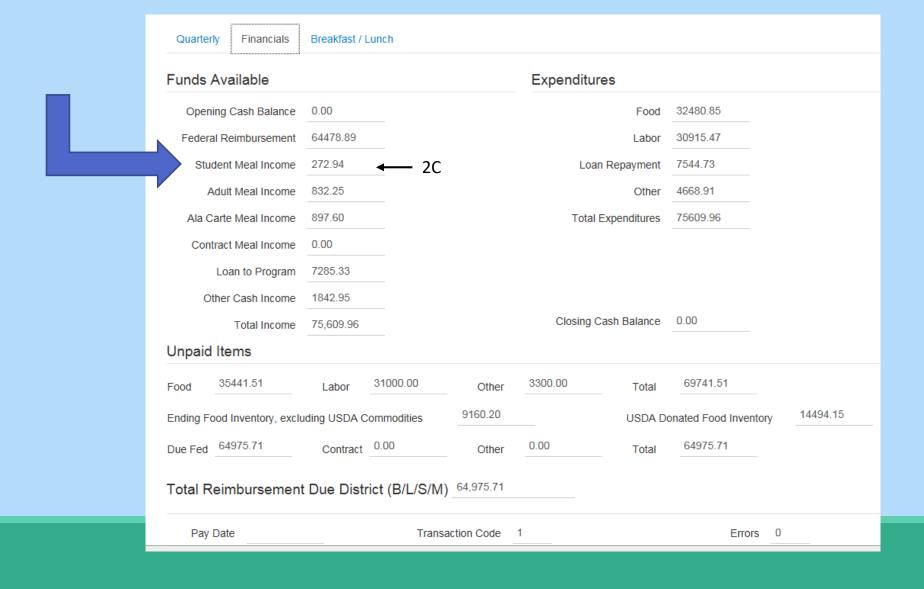
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Equipment Grants, FFVP, or DHS payments **DO NOT** belong on this claim!

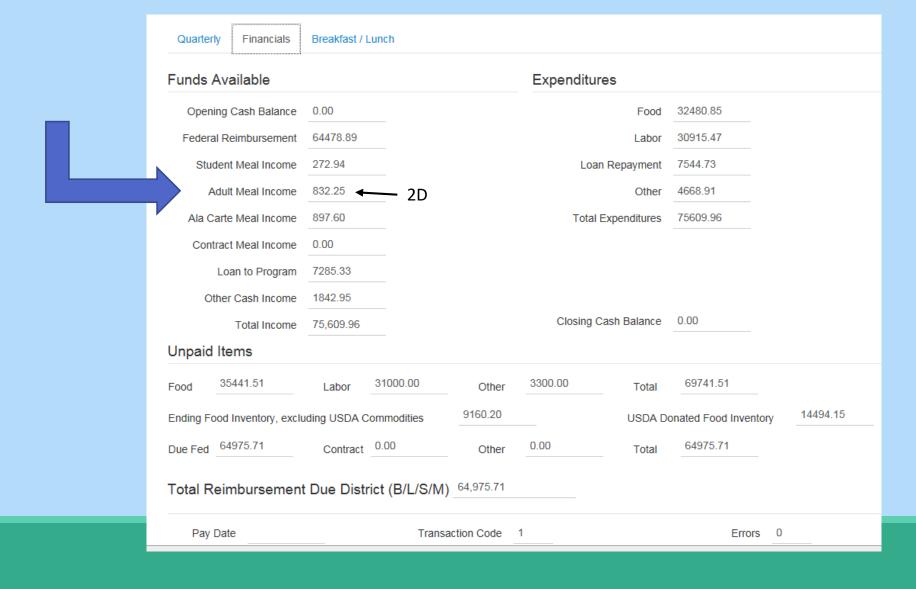


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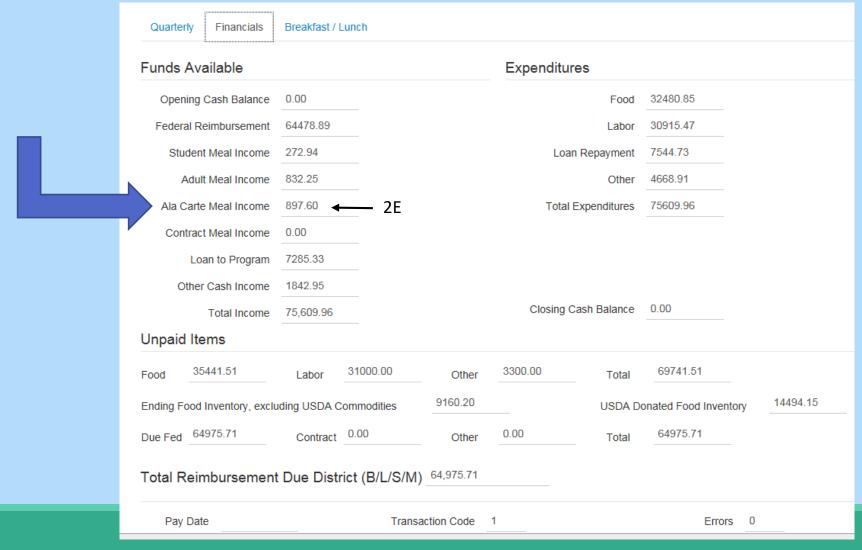
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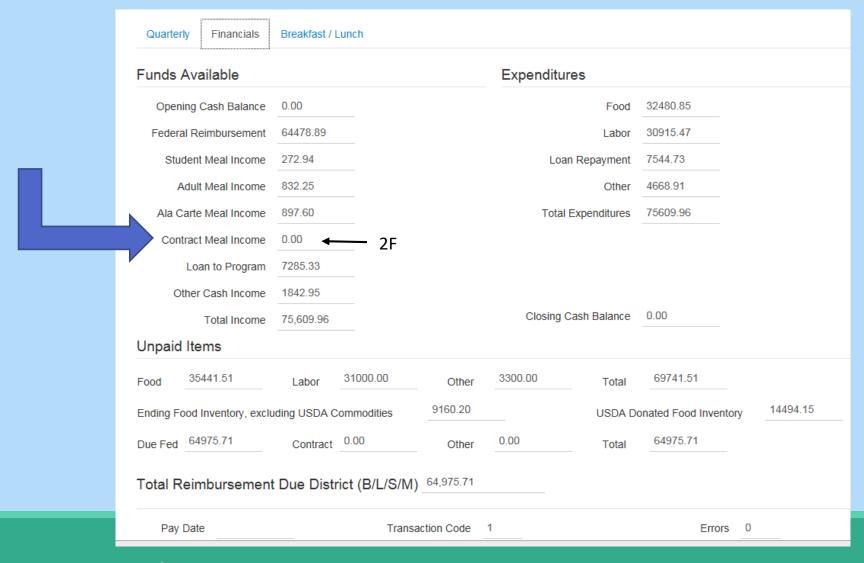
2C. Student meal income - All money collected during the month for student breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.



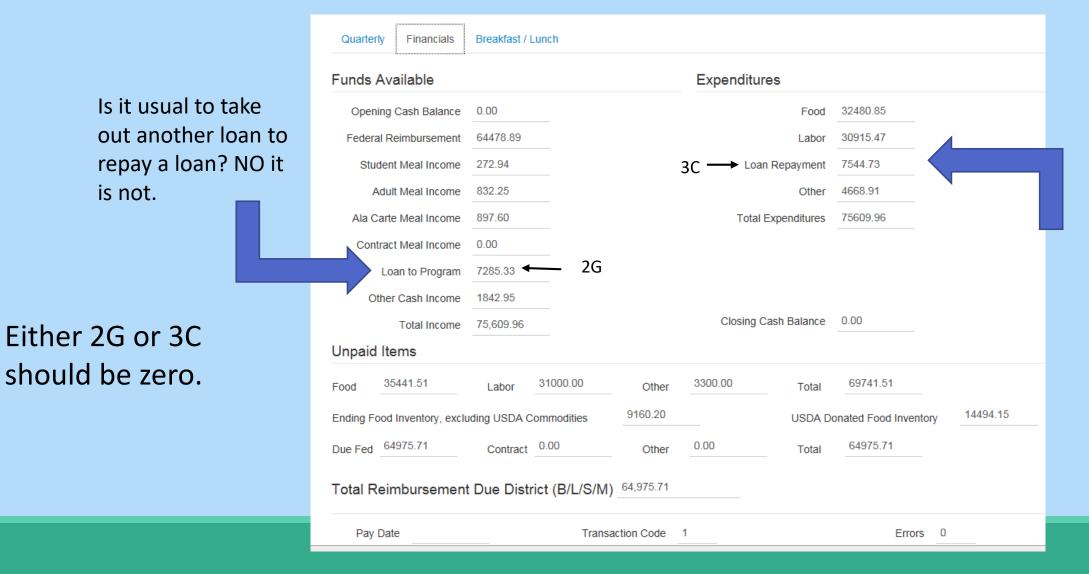
2D. Adult meal income - All money collected during the month for adult breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.



2E. A la carte income - All money collected during the month for a la carte items, including additional meal components and extra milk.

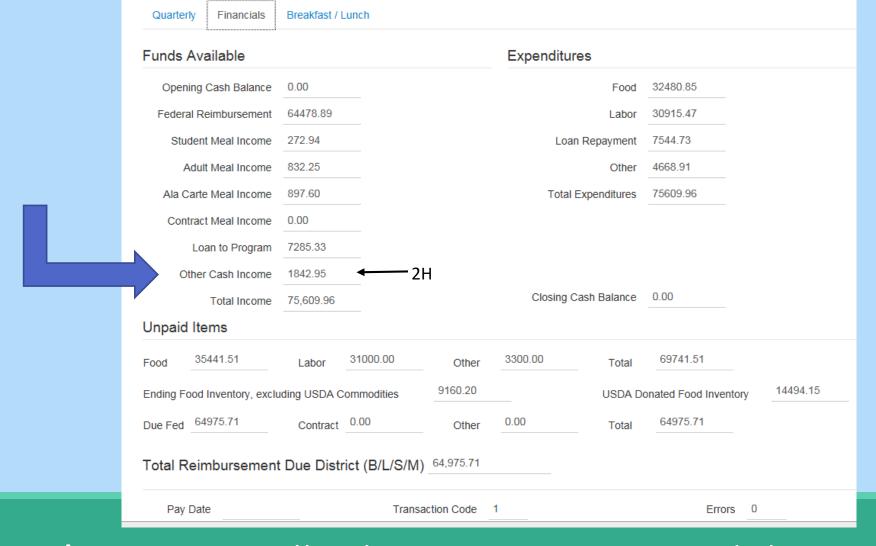


2F. Contract meal income - All money collected during the month for banquets, contract meals for Headstart, Pre-K senior citizens, and any other contracted function.



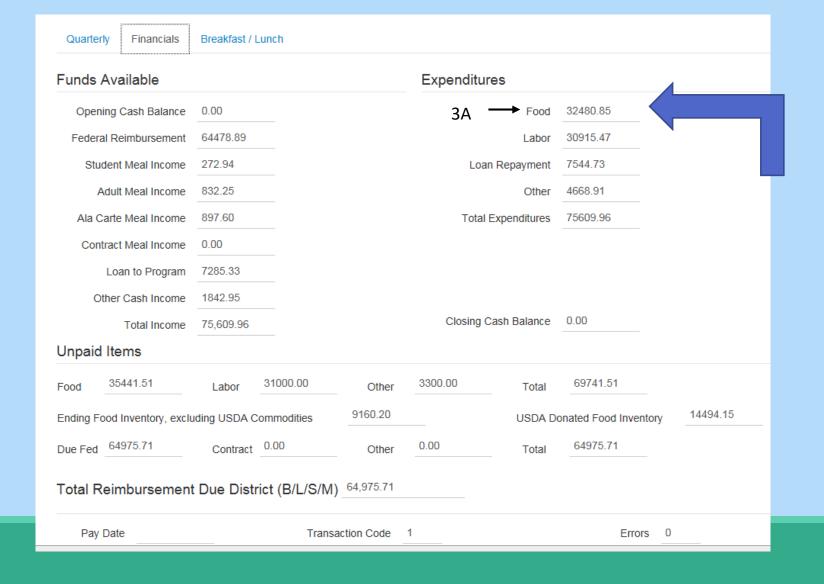
2G. Loans to program - Designated funds transferred to program from district operating fund or any other loan source.

Equipment Grants, FFVP, or DHS payments **DO NOT** belong on this claim!

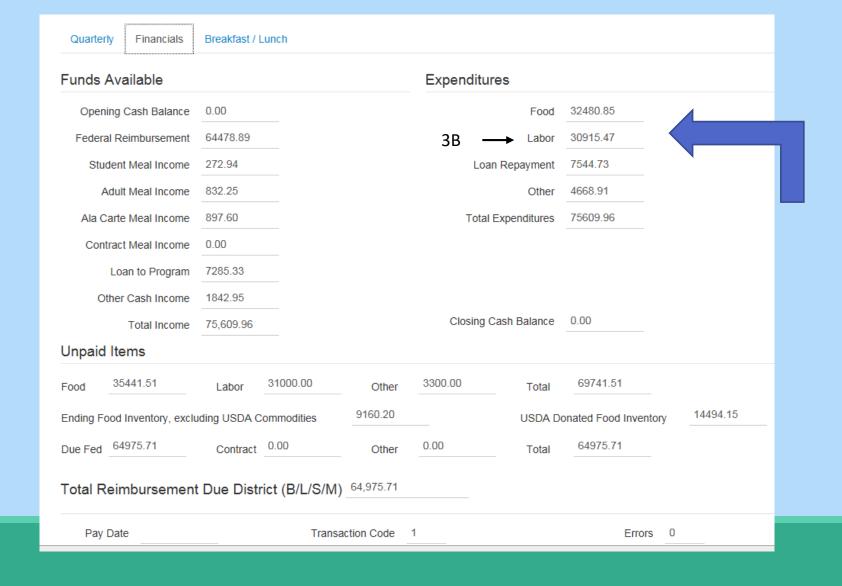


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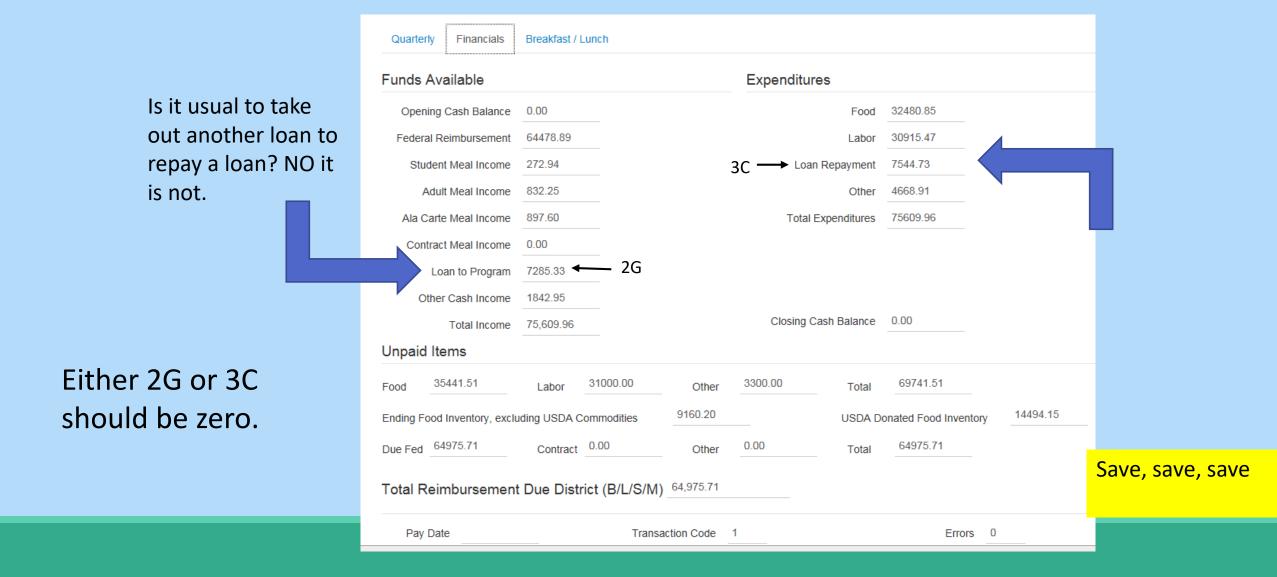
2H. Other cash income - All other income received during the month, including, but not limited to, state matching funds, interest on investments and reimbursements from DHS.



3A. Food - All food expenditures for all program areas.

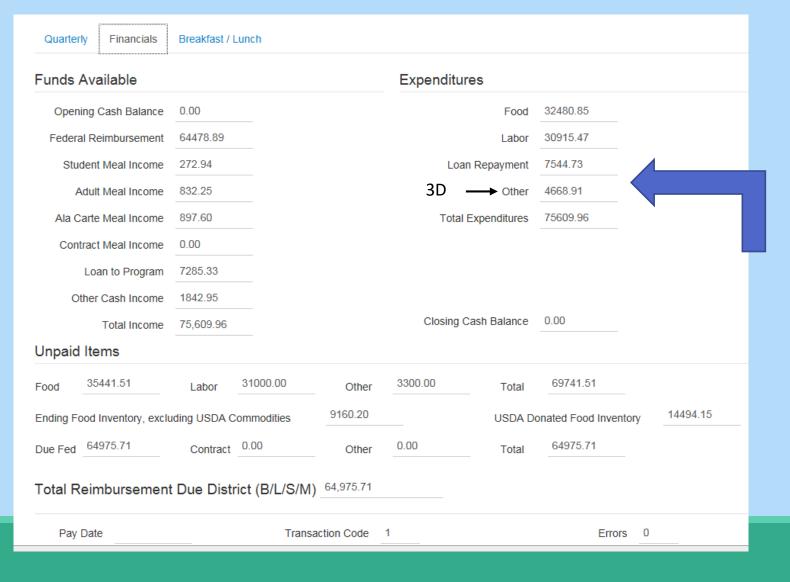


3B. Labor - All labor expenditures for all program areas.

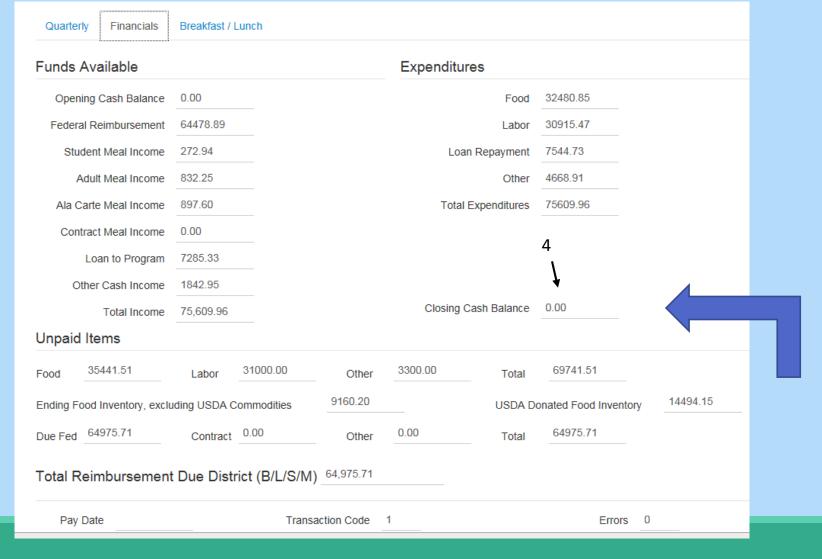


3C. Loan repayment - All expenditures for repayment to the district of loans to program.

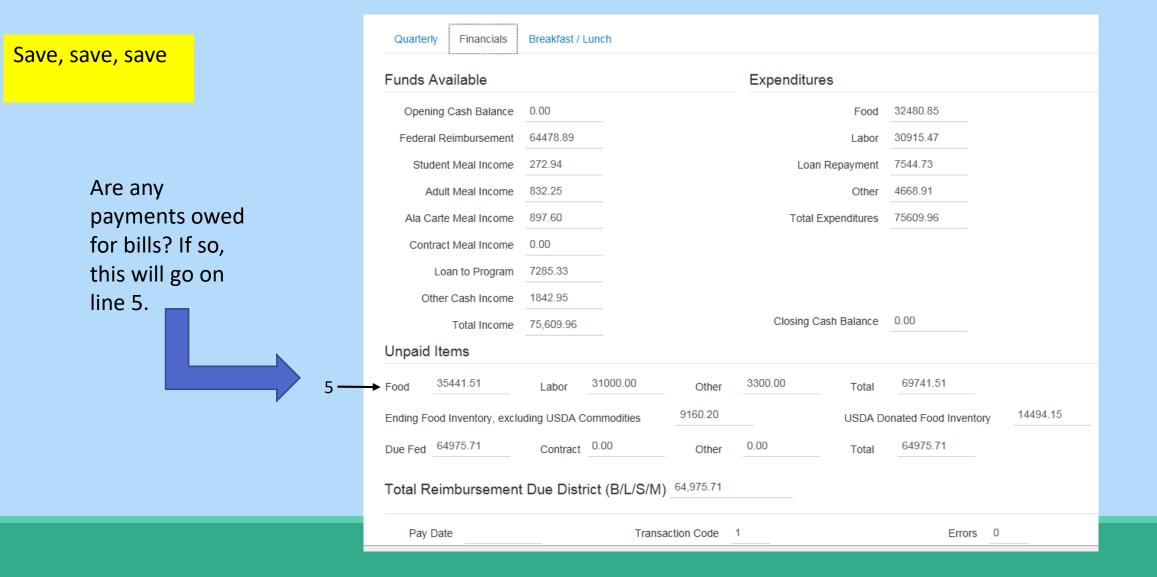
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3D. Other expenditures - Total of all other expenditures from the child nutrition account during the month.

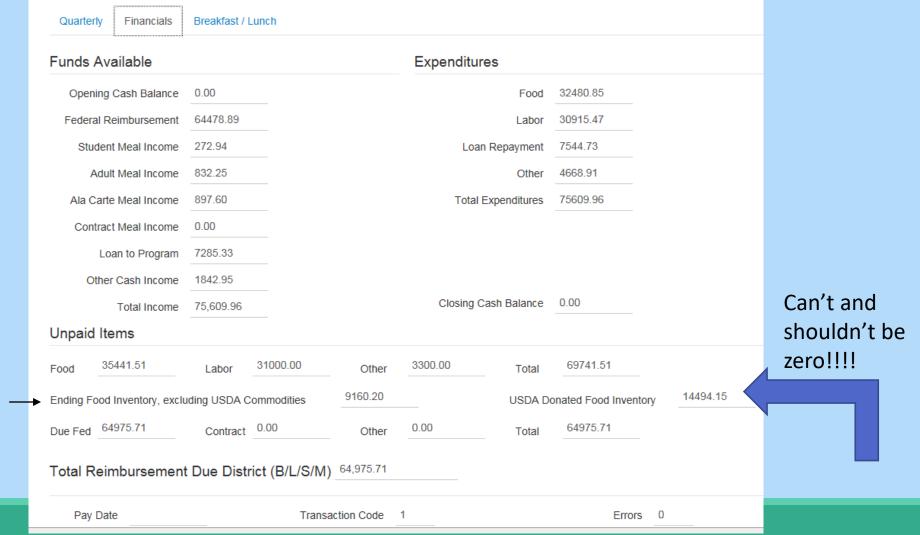


4. Closing Cash Balance - Subtract 3E (Total Expenditures) from 2I (Total Income). This WILL NOT or CAN NOT be a negative number. This number is automatically calculated.



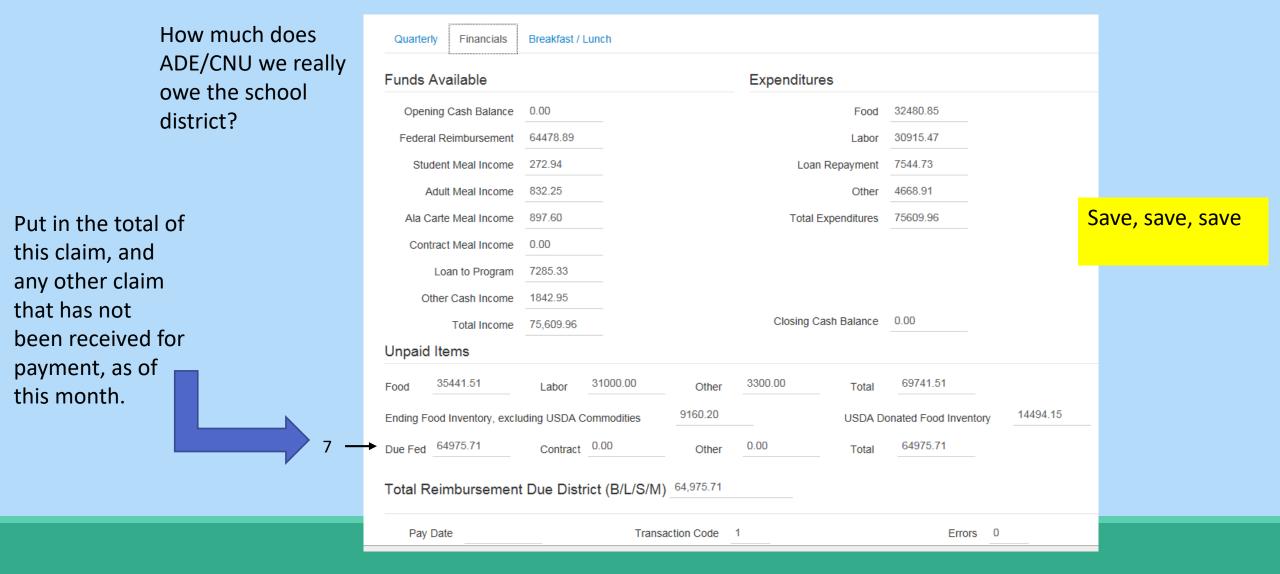
5. Amount of unpaid bills for food, labor and other purchases. This amount is rarely zero, a zero means nothing is owed to anyone.

Save, save, save



6. a. Value of inventory of all food, excluding USDA Donated Foods (commodities) b. Value of inventory of all USDA Donated Foods (commodities).

Be as accurate as possible, if there was an insurable accident (fire, flood, tornado), the reimbursement would be for the amounts listed here.



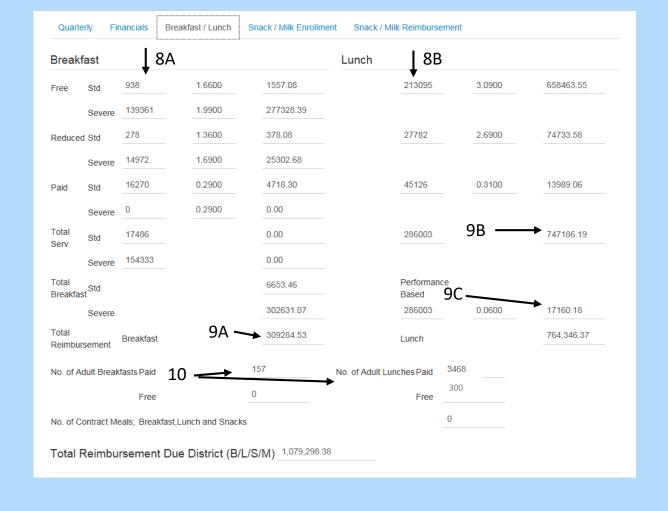
**7. Funds due program**, including federal reimbursement claimed but not received, contract meals served but not paid, and any other funds due program, (*including funds due from THIS claim for reimbursement*).

2. ACTUAL FUNDS AVAILABLE D	DURING MONTH				3. ACTUAL	. CASH EXPENDITURES DURIN	G MONTH		
A. Opening Cash Balance			0.00		A. Food				30,811.16
B. Federal Reimbursement			49,719.61		B. Labor				22,393.17
C. Student Meal Income			6,788.82		C. Loan Re	payment			12,079.95
D. Adult Meal Income			1,890.00		D. Other Ex	penditures			3,577.79
E. A la carte Income			0.00		E. Total				68,862.07
F. Contract Meal Income			10,097.56						
G. Loans to Program			0.00						
H. Other Cash Income			366.08						
I. Total			68,862.07		4. CLOSING	G CASH BALANCE			0.00
5. UNPAID BILLS:	FOOD	35,119.46	LABOR	2:	2,393.17	OTHER	0.00	TOTAL	57,512.63
6.A. ENDING FOOD INVENTORY, EXCLUDING USDA COMMODITIES:			TOTAL	10	0,982.69	6.B. USDA DONATED FOOD	INVENTORY:	TOTAL	6,922.96
7. FUNDS DUE PROGRAM:	FED. REIMB.	56,713.94	CONTRACT		5,566.86	OTHER	419.93	TOTAL	62,700.73

This is what the information looks like on the paper copy of the claim.

# Breakfast / Lunch Tab

The claim will be deleted if this is incorrect



Whole numbers ONLY in this section, there can't be a partial student (Always Round UP)

## Questions 2 and 3

- 2. "Loans to Program" and "Loans Repayment", one of these can have a number but the other should be zero, or both zero.
  - a. True
  - b. False

- 3. When calculating the amount to put into line #7 "Funds Due Program: Fed. Reimb.", you should:
  - a. Calculate all the months claim totals
  - b. Only put in the amount still due the School District, including previous month if not yet paid
  - c. Always leave this a zero since no money is due the School District
  - d. Make up a number to put into this area

# Questions 2 and 3

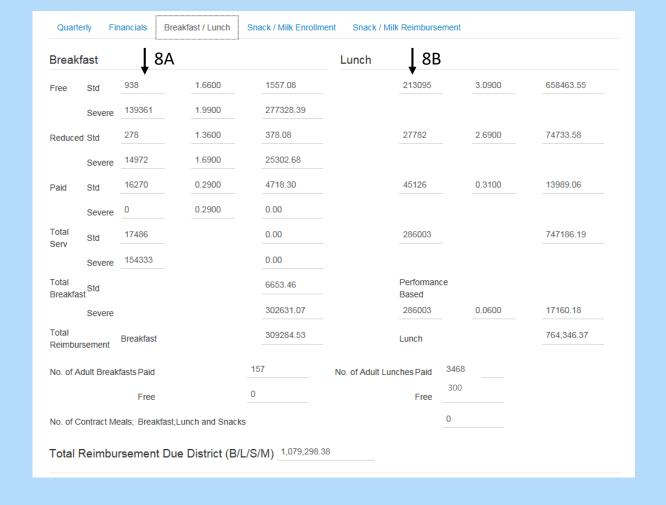
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- b.

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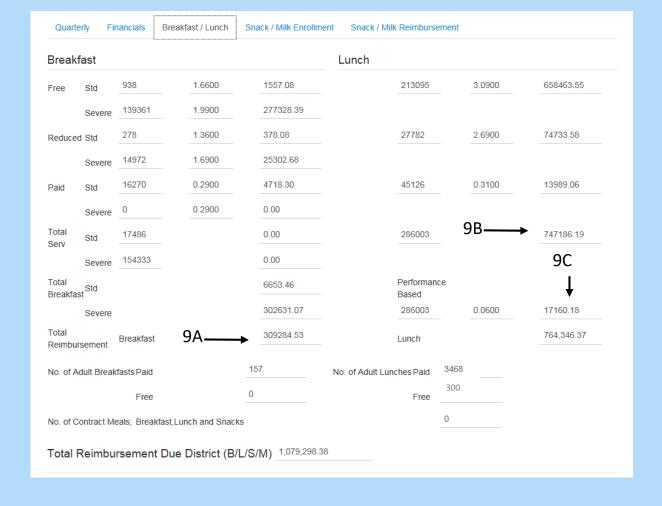
- a.
- b. Only put in the amount still due the School District, including previous month if not yet paid
- C.
- d.

The claim will be deleted if this is incorrect



**8.** Enter total **breakfasts (8.A.)** and **lunches (8.B.)** served to students by category (free, reduced price, paid). The system will automatically calculate the total dollar amount for reimbursement for each line, according to the numbers put in.

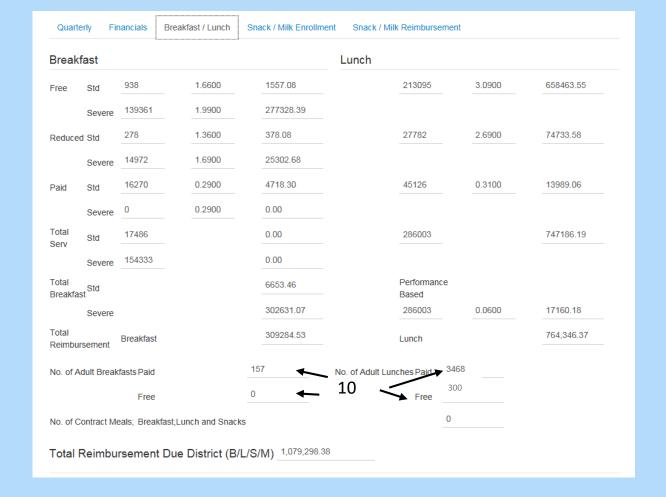
Once this is saved, after putting in the breakfast and lunch numbers, the "Performance Based Reimbursement" total will tally into the "Total Reimbursement Due District."



9. The system will automatically calculate the TOTAL (9A) for Breakfast and the TOTAL (9B) for Lunch. It will also calculate the TOTAL for Lunch Performance Based Reimbursement (9.C) after you have pressed save.

Are the adults who are eating a free breakfast or lunch, really supposed to? This should be for those working in the cafeteria for the entire shift. (This is one of the things checked on your Review.)

If you have any questions on this, please contact your Area Specialist at 501-324-9502.



10. Enter number of breakfasts and lunches served to adults and number of contract meals served.

Refer to the USDA memo regarding pricing of adult meals: http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/Fiscal\_and\_Admin\_Services/Child\_Nutrition/USDA/FNS-782-5 - Adult Meal Pricing.pdf

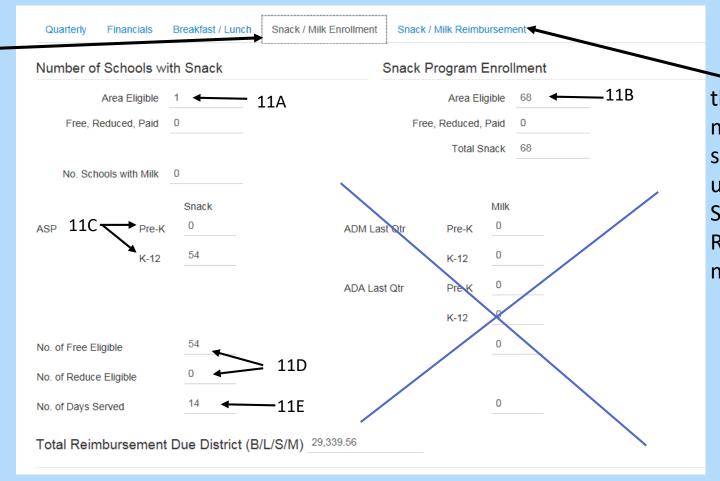
8	8.A. COMPUTATION OF BREAKFAST	T REIMBURSEME	NT		8.B. COMPUTATION OF LUNCH	REIMBURSEM	ENT
BREAKFAST CATEGORY	TOTAL BREAKFASTS	RATE	REIMBURSEMENT	LUNCH CATEGORY	TOTAL LUNCHES	RATE	REIMBURSEMENT
Free	0	1.66	0.00	Free	0		0.0
	5684	1.99	11,311.16		12338	3.09	38,124.4
	(severe need)				(safety net)		
Reduced	0	1.36	0.00	Reduced	0		0.0
Price	447	1.69	755.43	Price	1543	2.69	4,150.6
	(severe need)				(safety net)		
Paid	0	0.29	0.00	Paid	0		0.0
	497	0.29	144.13		3771	0.31	1,169.0
	(severe need)				(safety net)		
9.A. Total Brkft Reimb.	6628		12,210.72	9.B. Total Lunch Reimb.	17652		43,444.1
				Perfomance Based	17652	0.06	1,059.1
10. No. of Adult Breakfasts			Paid 0	No. of Adult Lunches			Paid 543
			Free 185				Free 272
No. of Contract Meals; Breakfast,	Lunch and Snacks		0				

Whole numbers ONLY, can't have a partial student (Always Round UP)

This is what the information looks like on the paper copy of the claim.

If numbers are put under the Snack/Milk Enrollment tab,

POTENTIAL BINDING ERROR



then there must be something under the Snack/Milk Reimburse ment tab

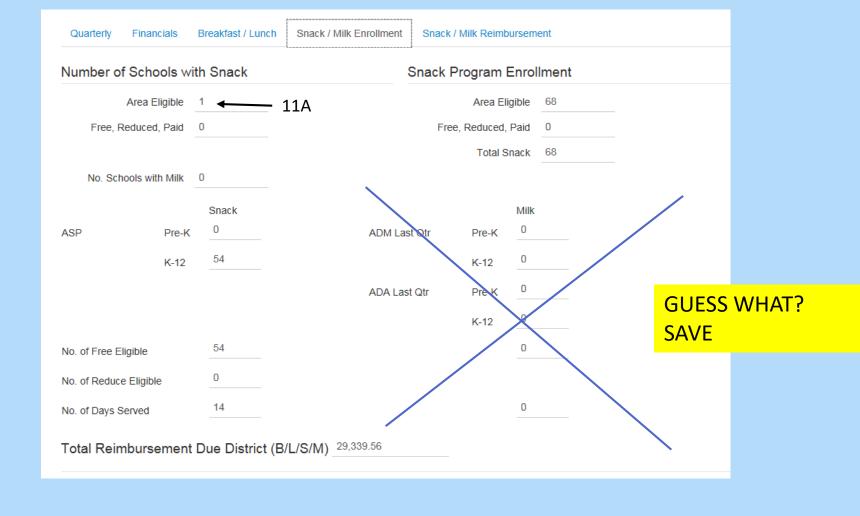
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GUESS WHAT?

This is automatically put in with information from the School District's Policy and Agreement, Schedule A.

If the School District has not been approved for a Snack Program, these tabs will not be available.

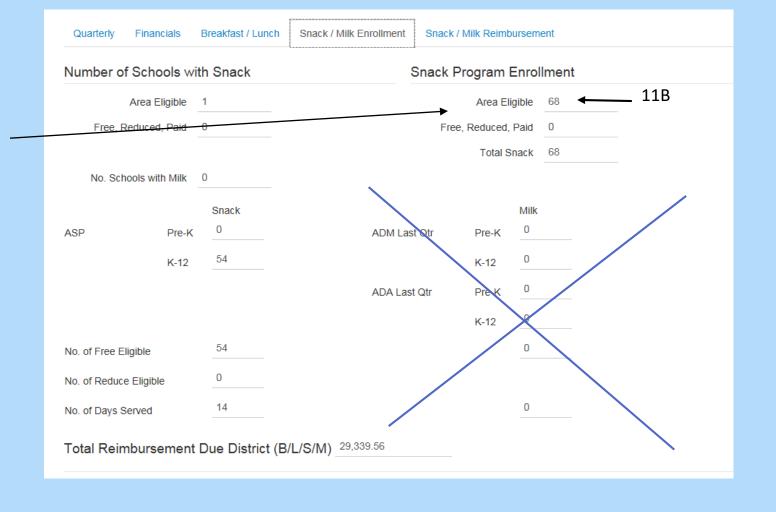


**11. A. Number of schools in Afterschool Snack Program -** Indicate number of schools that receive **Area Eligible** reimbursement for Afterschool Snacks (all students free) and the number that receive **NON Area Eligible** (FREE, REDUCED, & PAID) reimbursement.

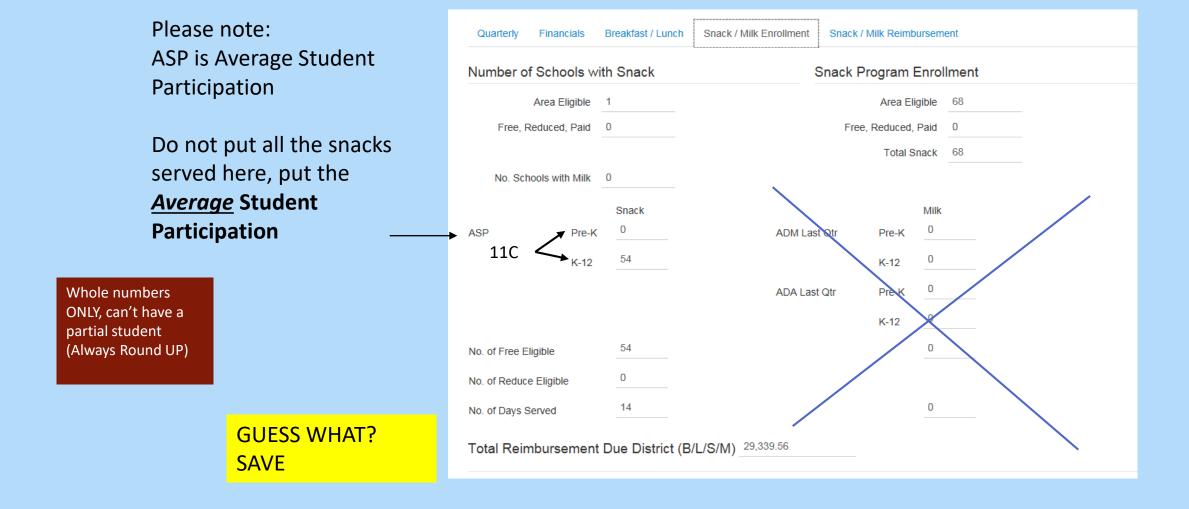
How many students were qualified to get snacks.

This should not be the whole school, not everyone qualifies to get snacks.

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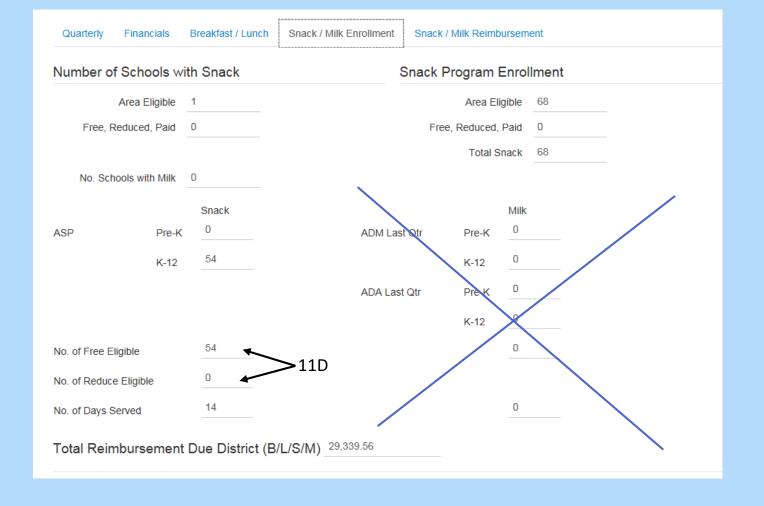


**11B. Enrollment in Afterschool Snack Program -** Enter afterschool snack program enrollments based on method of reimbursement used to claim afterschool snacks i.e., **Area Eligible** or **NON Area Eligible**.



11 C. Average Attendance - Enter Afterschool Program Average MONTHLY Attendance for claim month. To calculate add the number of students attending each day the afterschool program operated during the month and divide by the number of serving days Afterschool Snacks were served during the month. Claims cannot exceed the program Average Attendance multiplied by the number of serving days.

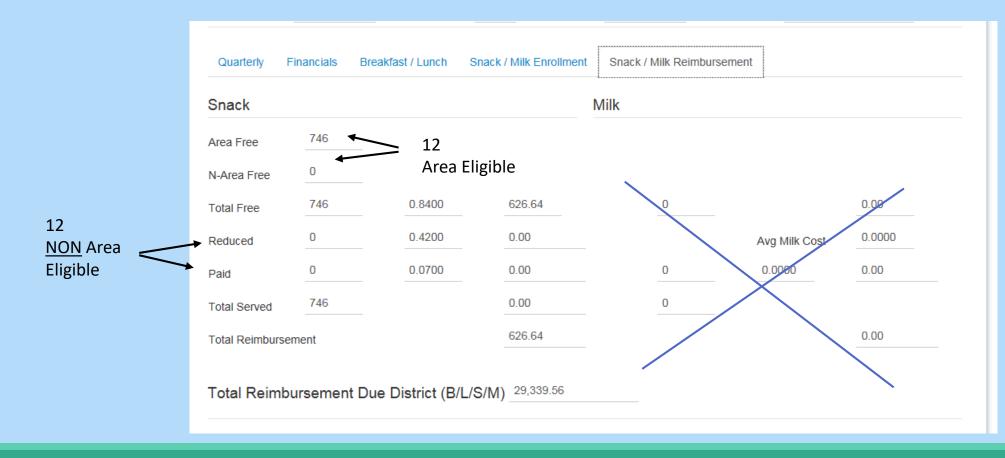
GUESS WHAT? SAVE



11D. No. of Eligibles - Complete ONLY for NON Area Eligible Afterschool Snack Program Schools. Number of Eligibles equals the HIGHEST number of afterschool snack eligibles (Free & Reduced price) by count of student source documents on any day during the month.



Binding Error Code - 957B Afterschool Snacks Greater than Zero But Snack Total =Zero



# 12. Enter total number of Afterschool Snacks served to students by type of Program

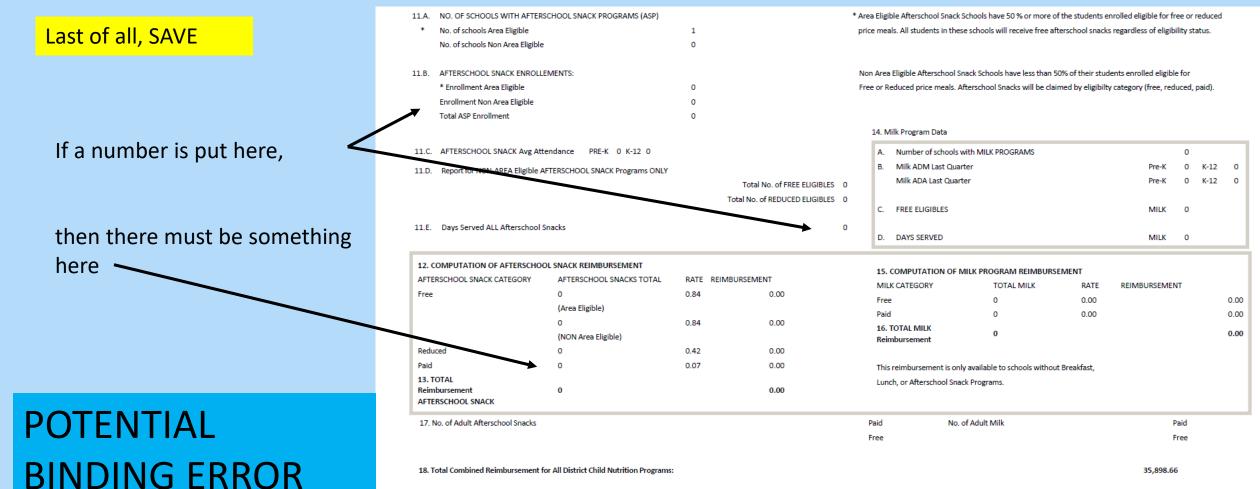
- Area Eligible (ALL Free) or
- NON Area Eligible (Free, Reduced, or Paid). Multiply by the assigned rates and enter reimbursement amount on the claim.



13. The system will automatically calculate the total of afterschool snacks served and the total amount of reimbursement claimed for afterschool snacks.

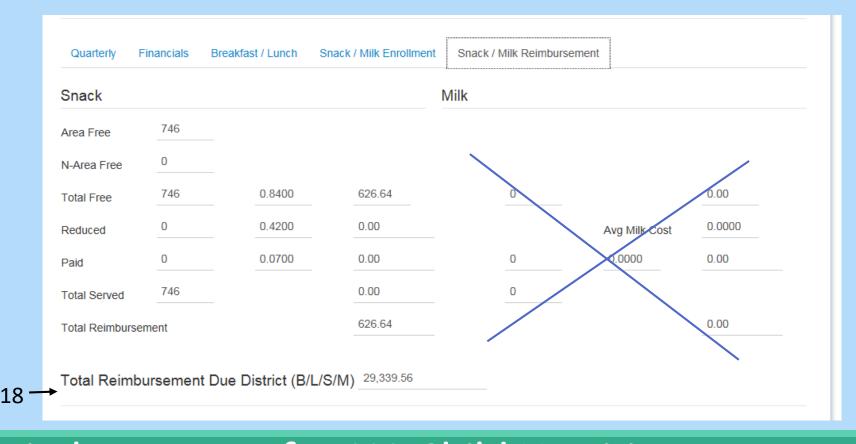


Disregard 14, 15, and 16, we do not have a Milk Reimbursement Program in the State of Arkansas since we serve milk at both breakfast and lunch.

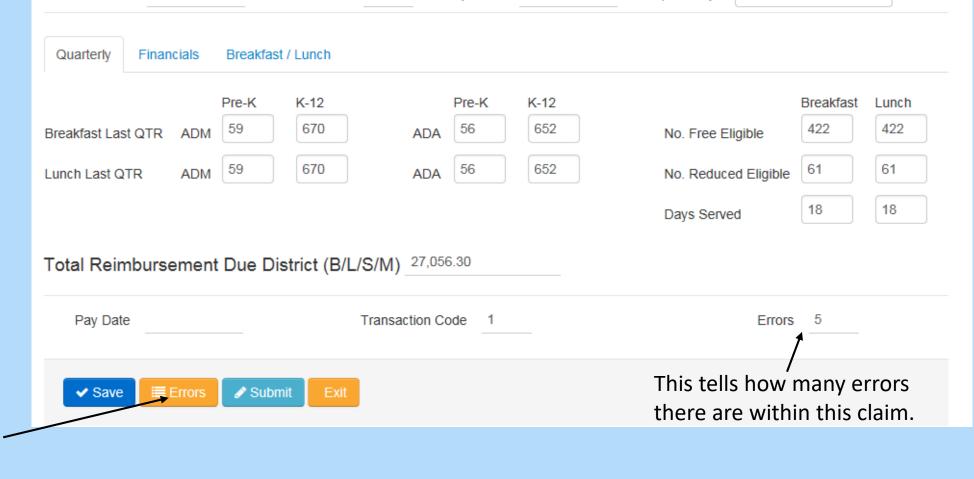


I CERTIFY that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this claim is true and correct in all aspects and that records (supporting documentation) are available to support this claim. I understand that all supporting documents for this Claim For Reimbursement are subject to review and/or audit by State/Federal Agency officials. I also understand that this information is being given in connection with the receipt of Federal United States Department of Agriculture Funds.

Binding Error Code - 957B Afterschool Snacks Greater than Zero But Snack Total =Zero This is the paper copy of this portion of the claim.



18. Total Combined Reimbursement for ALL Child Nutrition Programs. The system adds lines 9A, 9B, 9C, and 13. This amount will match the voucher amount of direct deposit if the claim is correctly completed. YOU CANNOT CHANGE THIS NUMBER.



**Always** check the errors.

The second to last step is to check for errors. Save, one last time, then click on the "Errors" button at the bottom of the screen.



Look over all the errors and make certain the reasons for the errors are clear and corrected if needed. If it is a "B" error, the claim can not be submitted until the error has been corrected.

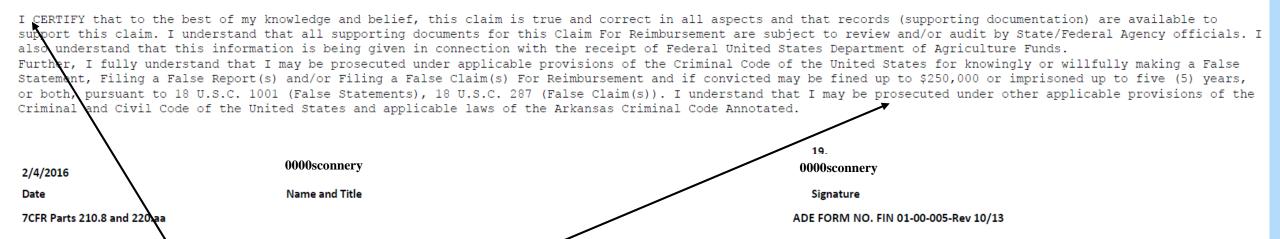
<u>Double check</u> the claim, have 2 sets of eyes look at the claim prior to submission.



Once the claim has been approved, and an error is found, the claim has to be **DELETED** by ADE/CNU, and recreated by the enterer, resubmitted by the submitter. Then reapproved by the approver.

# Has the claim been double checked to be certain it is correct.

If the claim has been submitted, but not approved, and an error is found after the submission, contact ADE/CNU to have the claim released, so corrections can be made. Please be certain to double check the claim before submitting.



The approver is agreeing to the legal paragraph listed above, \_\_\_\_\_ beginning with "I <u>CERTIFY</u> that...", and should read this before agreeing to it.

19. The On-Line Claim for Reimbursement Approver **should review and analyze** all meal and afterschool snack counts to ensure accuracy as specified in the regulations. Please be reminded that the person who actually aggregates/calculates/prepares the claim for reimbursement CANNOT approve the on-line claim. As a matter of internal control the district Group Manager needs to assign a second party to verify the claim and supporting documentation are correct prior to submission for approval.

#### 18. Total Combined Reimbursement for All District Child Nutrition Programs:

49,719.61

I CERTIFY that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this claim is true and correct in all aspects and that records (supporting documentation) are available to support this claim. I understand that all supporting documents for this Claim For Reimbursement are subject to review and/or audit by State/Federal Agency officials. I also understand that this information is being given in connection with the receipt of Federal United States Department of Agriculture Funds.

Further, I fully understand that I may be prosecuted under applicable provisions of the Criminal Code of the United States for knowingly or willfully making a False Statement, Filing a False Report(s) and/or Filing a False Claim(s) For Reimbursement and if convicted may be fined up to \$250,000 or imprisoned up to five (5) years, or both, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001 (False Statements), 18 U.S.C. 287 (False Claim(s)). I understand that I may be prosecuted under other applicable provisions of the Criminal and Civil Code of the United States and applicable laws of the Arkansas Criminal Code Annotated.

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Name and Title

Signature

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7CFR Parts 210.8 and 220.aa

Date

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# This is what the information looks like on the paper copy of the claim.

# Question 4

4. I don't ever have to double check my claim before submitting it, it should be correct, right?

- a. True
- b. False

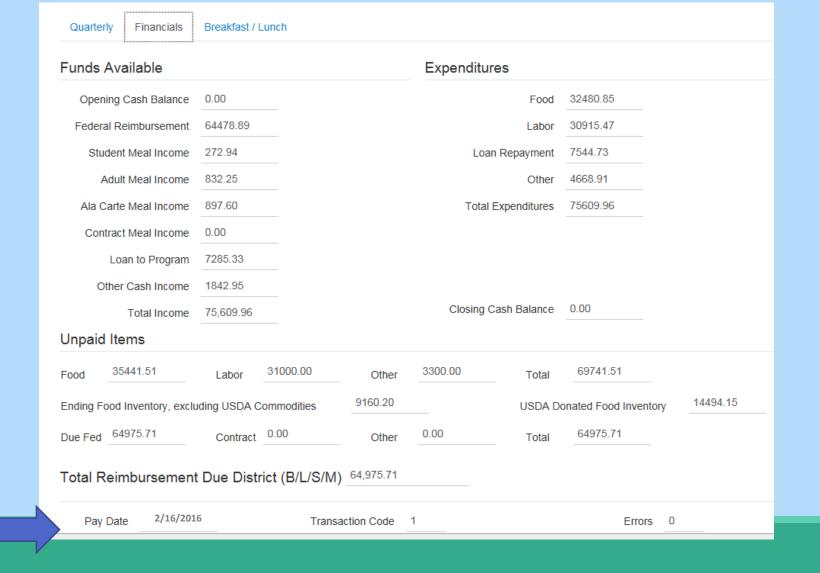
# Question 4

4. I don't ever have to double check my claim before submitting it, it should be correct, right?

a.

b. False

The submitter should always double check the claim before submitting!



Tells when payment was processed, payment issued within 5 days.

### To add a new "View", "Entry", or "Submit" person

- o Talk to the Group Manager (usually the tech person), at the School District
- View can see claim but do nothing else
- Entry can see the claim and enter data
- Submit can see the claim, enter data, and submit it to the approver
  - Each person set up should be set up for <u>1 group</u> only, more will cause issues and will not allow person access to the site.

### To change your Claim Approver or Group Manager:

- Send the correct form to ADE Security
  - (found at https://adedata.arkansas.gov/security/)
    - Go to "Forms"
    - Click on "Child Nutrition District Approver", or "Child Nutrition Group Manager"
  - This must be signed by the Superintendent



### To get help with your claims:

- O Please call 501-324-9502 and ask for Saraj Goldberg or claims assistance
- o Email questions to saraj.goldberg@arkansas.gov